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REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 CFR § 1.26

Sir:

This request is being filed in connection with the above application with respect to the non-final Office Action mailed on December 2, 2002 (Paper No. 39).

A Notice of Appeal was filed in error with the reply mailed on March 21, 2003 for which a charge in the amount of \$320.00 was made to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945**.

We hereby request that a credit in the amount of \$320.00 for the Notice of Appeal be applied to the same Deposit Account No. 18-1945 in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.26 (MPEP 607.02).

The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned.

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